

2016 WRIA 6 (Island Watershed) – Request for Proposals WA Salmon Recovery Funding Board Grants

To: Potential Salmon Recovery Project Sponsors & Interested Parties

Re: Request for Proposals for 2016 Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) Grants and for 2017-2019 Puget Sound Acquisition and Recreation (PSAR) Regular and Large Capital Projects

Date: February 8, 2016

The Island Salmon Recovery Lead Entity, managed by Island County Dept. of Natural Resources, is soliciting salmon recovery project proposals for Water Resources Inventory Area 6 (Island County) nearshore and watersheds under the Washington State Salmon Recovery Act, Chapter 77.85 RCW.

This year, Lead Entities are required to allocate all 2015-17 PSAR funds using the Early Action process. This is similar to the regular SRFB process, except projects will have to be classified as “clear” by the SRFB Review Panel in July. These will be forwarded for approval to the September 2016 SRFB meeting. Funds will be available immediately after approval. The amount of 2015-2017 PSAR funds available is \$385,000.

In addition, the Lead Entity is soliciting projects for 2016 SRFB and the 2017-2019 PSAR funding. The amount of funding available to the Island Watershed is not yet known, but is anticipated to be approximately \$1 million. Based on previous annual allocations, it is expected that \$240,000 for 2016 regular SRFB funded projects will be available January 2017 and \$800,000 for 17-19 PSAR funded projects will be available July 2017. Projects for both the 2016 SRFB and 17-19 PSAR will advance through the regular Lead Entity process and be approved at the December 2016 SRFB meeting.

The Island Lead Entity will also be accepting applications for the Puget Sound Partnership’s 17-19 PSAR fund Large Capital Projects List. Large Capital Projects in the Island Lead Entity are those with budgets over \$800,000. Large Capital Projects are reviewed through the regular local process but are ranked by a regional committee. Please contact the Lead Entity Coordinator for the full Large Capital Projects RFP from the Puget Sound Partnership.

Project sponsors are strongly encouraged to contact the Island Lead Entity coordinator to discuss their intention to apply. Sponsors will need to obtain a RCO PRISM project number from the Lead Entity Coordinator in order to submit an application. Please review the state Salmon Recovery Grant Manual 18 for eligibility requirements.

http://www.rco.wa.gov/documents/manuals&forms/Manual_18.pdf.

Pre-applications are required and due by **March 15, 2016**. The deadline for final applications is **June 1, 2016**.

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